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1. While Nguyen Hai Than* was in Hong Kong in late July 1950, representatives of Bao Dai visited him there to obtain his cooperation. At the same time, Chinese Communist authorities in Canton sent LI Yung-ming (李永明)**, Than's nephew, to induce Than to return to Canton. Because he was under financial pressure, Than returned with LI on 2 August 1950.
2. In Canton, Than, under Communist auspices, began organizing the Indochina National Salvation Army. Plans for this organization were prepared by the South Central Military and Political Committee of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and approved by the Peiping government. The persons charged with the implementation of the plan are YEH Chien-ying (葉劍英)***, Governor of Kwangtung; CHIANG Yun-i (張雲逸)***, second secretary of the South China Politburo; JAO Chang-feng (饒彰風), head of the United Front Department; CH'EN Hsia-su (陳見蘇), deputy chief of the same ministry; and HSIAO Hsiang-jung (蕭向榮), chief of that ministry's propaganda section.
3. According to the plans, Nguyen Hai Than's influence is to be used in Indochina to recruit men for the Ho Chi Minh Government from the social groups and parties which support him. Than is to command the army and to become deputy chairman in the government under Ho Chi Minh. The deputy commander will be Vuong Minh Son****. Military organization will center around a nucleus of educated Indochinese scattered through Kwangtung and Kwangsi Provinces, to be collected in Indochina, plus the five thousand Viet Minh troops being trained in Hainan and three thousand irregular troops on the Kwangsi-Indochina border under Than. Most important staff members and political workers are to be appointed by the Chinese Communists.
4. It is anticipated that 35,000 men will be recruited for the first concentration. As soon as the group is formally organized, all local military forces and Indochinese eligible for military service who are in the border area will be brought under the National Salvation Army through the slogan "Love the Fatherland." If necessary, Chinese Communist troops may also be added to the army. After an unspecified training period, the first recruits will be sent to North Viet Nam in preparation for an attack on the French during the winter of 1950-1951.

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5. The army will establish its command post at Wanning, using Chinghsi (106-25, 23-09) and Lungchou (106-56, 22-22) as liaison bases.
6. Organization plans were under way in mid-August. Since Nguyen Hai Than is an old man and suffers from some type of eye trouble, the actual work is being done by Vuong Minh Son, who is under the control of YEH Chien-ying. On 19 August, Vuong Minh Son sent his personal representative, WANG Fa (王發)** to Hong Kong to enlist in the new organization three senior members of the Indochina Patriotic League, P'AN Chung-tuan (潘重端),** HSIANG Jen-shih (項元聖)** and I T'ai (伊泰)**. These persons, however, all three connected with Hoang Nam Hung****, and Vu Hong Khanh of the Bao Dai Government, refused.
7. Under the direction of the Chinese Communists, Vuong Minh Son is trying to persuade Bao Dai's uncle, Cuong De, to join the National Salvation Army. CHENG Hsing-ou (鄭興偶)** a Viet Minh supporter in Macao, was dispatched to Japan for this purpose on 15 August 1950.
8. The Viet Minh in late July set up a sabotage training class in Paise (108-03, 22-06), Kwangsi. About one hundred Indochinese guerrillas are receiving instructions in techniques of sabotage and use of various types of explosives. After two months, trainees will be sent back to Indochina for sabotage in French-controlled areas. Training is directed by HUANG Li (黃立), a Chinese Communist, and T'o-erh-szu-fu (托爾斯夫) (?Torsov), a Soviet adviser.

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